



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, on June 25, 1950, Communist North Korea invaded South Korea, thereby initiating the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, On June 27, 1950 the United States of America began its military intervention in Korea to protect freedom; and

WHEREAS, approximately 5,720,000 of members of the Armed Forces served during the Korean War to defeat the spread of communism in Korea and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, during that 37-month period more than 54,000 Americans died, 33,651 were killed in action, 103,000 were wounded, 8,177 were declared missing in action and 7,000 were taken as prisoners of war; and

WHEREAS, 126 Idahoans are listed as casualties from the Korean War, with 94 of those killed in action; and

WHEREAS, service by members of the Armed Forces in the Korean War shall never be forgotten, their service a true inspiration to our country fifty years ago – and they remain so today;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim June and July 2003, to be

KOREAN WAR VETERANS REMEMBRANCE MONTHS

in Idaho, and I ask that all citizens honor the contributions made by veterans of the Korean War.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this sixth day of June in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Ben Isukua in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

BEN ISUKUA
SECRETARY OF STATE